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NEWS FROM DAWSON

Woman Arrested for Selling Fake Claims.

A STRUGGLE TO GET BACK TO CIVILIZATION.

No New Developments or Strikes Around or Near Dawson.

Mrs. Woods, Dawson's veteran jobber and stamper has been arrested and arraigned before Judge McGuire for selling a fake claim. She'll get six months at hard labor if proven guilty. She is a New York woman of considerable mining camp experience.

Fares from Dawson to Seattle via the North American Transportation and Trading Company at \$100, \$150 and \$200.

John D. Rainey, ex-chief of the Tacoma fire department, died August 8th at the Presbyterian hospital, of inflammation of the bowels. He was buried with Masonic honors.

David Evans was smothered by foul gases in a 34 foot shaft on his mine, No. 16 on a pup entering Bonanza at 21 above.

Dawson now has a complete modern fire-fighting apparatus especially adapted to the climatic changes existing there. The engine is one of the latest models and can be operated in the coldest weather. The hose cart and other paraphernalia are all of the best and together with its well organized fire department gives Dawson better fire protection than many older towns.

A newspaper outfit owned by A. Livingston, of Mt. Magnet, Australia, is on the steamer Rock Island No. 1 which is stranded on a bar near Fort Yukon and is likely to stay there until next season. Mr. Livingston expects to establish the Klondike Miner in Dawson City.

There is an improvement in the reports coming in of new discoveries. Nothing very great has been discovered near Dawson, but from points farther off, both up and down the river flattering rumors are daily heard.

Dawson City is no place for poor men. There are so many now there that it is suggested sending the most needy of them home. To attempt to winter there, without prospect of labor, is folly and means privation, hardship and suffering of the worse sort. Everybody who can is struggling to get below before navigation closes.

The record time from St. Michaels to Dawson is twelve days and fifteen hours.

Conniving with the officials and the jumping of claims is growing to such an extent that serious trouble may be anticipated unless the evil is speedily corrected. More anon.

Gladstone's Will.

The will of the late Rt. Hon. William E. Gladstone, has been probated. It shows that his personal estate is valued at \$59,500. Mr. Gladstone's will was written by himself in an ordinary memorandum book. It is a document of about two thousand words, and is a remarkable specimen of penmanship. The second clause of the will has reference to the funeral arrangements, and says:

"Commending myself to the infinite mercies of God in the Incarnate Son as my only and sufficient hope, I leave the particulars of my burial to my executors, specifying only that they be very simple and private, unless there be conclusive reasons to the contrary; and I desire to be buried where my wife may also lie. On no account shall a laudatory inscription be placed over me."

After appointing his sons as executors, the will charges the future possessor of Hawarden to remember that, as head of the family, it will be his duty to extend good offices to other members thereof, according to his ability and their manifest needs and merits.

The rest of the document leaves souvenirs to servants and bequeaths to his grandson William, as heir, as heirlooms all the patents of the crown offices held by testator, and books and prints presented to him by the Queen, letters to the Queen, etc. The will bears date of December 26, 1896.

Outfit in Wrangel.

Death of W. B. McGilligan.

We are pained to announce the death of Wm. B. McGilligan, one of our oldest inhabitants, and who was laid to rest this afternoon in the cemetery on the point. Mr. McGilligan was an old soldier, and as such was buried with all the honors possible.

Mr. McGilligan, at the time of his death was about 55 years of age. He was from the state of Delaware, and enlisted in the 1st Delaware battery at the age of eighteen. At the close of the war he drifted to the coast, settling in San Francisco, where he has a sister living. He also has a sister living in Delaware.

He came to Fort Wrangel in 1886 and engaged in the dairy business, as well as paying considerable attention to poultry, small fruits and vegetables. In November of 1896 he was stricken with paralysis affecting his right side, from which he never recovered.

During the spring rush and excitement, his mind enfeebled by ill-health and harassed by threatened law suits by local parties, he turned over his property and possessions to Dr. Steiner under an arrangement that he should be taken care of as long as he lived.

Dr. Steiner has been constant in his attentions to the expressed satisfaction of Mr. McGilligan.

Bond Sale Investigation.

A thorough investigation of specious bids under the last call for subscriptions to Government bonds has been completed by Solicitor O'Connell, of the Treasury department, and today he submitted to Secretary Gage the mass of testimony in the transactions. Several thousand subscribers were examined. The facts developed show a systematic scheme operated by single parties to secure a large amount of the bonds.

The investigation was the outcome of complaints alleging wrong dealing on the part of many bidders. Secretary Gage promptly instituted the investigation, and Solicitor O'Connell has today after submitting his report, held a conference for two hours with the Secretary, on the developments. The reports indicate that millions of dollars in bonds were acquired by irregular means and that a number of New York bidders are involved in the cases. Many of the bids received from New York are shown to have been either signed by individuals who had no direct interest in them, and subscribed their names simply at the request of, or in consideration of compensation by other parties, or the bids bore signatures that were forgeries.

Many of the bidders, it was stated, were hired to sign, and the system was carried so far, the report goes to show, that virtual agents were employed, who were paid so much per subscriber, the last named merely signing his name and giving the bid with his signature to the agent, or directly to the party seeking control of a large amount of bids.

The report and the exact facts are withheld from publication at this time for prudential reasons, but Solicitor O'Connell said today: "There is a large amount of fraudulent bids."

It is stated a further investigation is to be made, and that the facts developed will be followed by action of the Secretary. This may result in a refusal to issue the bonds in all cases found to have been illegal.

Astor Easy on War Heroes.

It has been a long established rule of the Astors to collect rents on the first of the month and to evict such householders as could not pay. Not even three days of grace were allowed. It was put up or move. The other day orders were received in New York, according to the Chicago Tribune, from the Thames embankment, where William Waldorf has his elegant New London office, reading somewhat as follows: "In the case of families of soldiers enlisted for the war with Spain, disregard entirely the established rent rule. If such tenants are known to be in financial trouble make every possible allowance. Neither press or otherwise annoy them, but await the return of the men from Cuba and Porto Rico."

Our Dead Heroes.

The Chicago Tribune of Sept. 2d printed statistics showing the number of soldiers who have been killed in battle and have died of disease in camps, during the war with Spain. The Tribune says:

While 350 officers and men have been

killed in battle or died of wounds received, there have died of disease in camp between 1200 and 2000 volunteers and regulars.

The Tribune has secured the names of 1284 who died in camp or on transports, or at home after contracting malarial fever at one of the camps. There is no doubt about the 1284 whose names have been secured. Neither is there much doubt that there are many hundreds of dead whose names could not be secured on account of lack of records and the inability or the unwillingness of army officers to furnish lists of dead.

The Tribune gives the following statistics of dead in each camp, giving in every instance a full list of names and the nature of the disease. The record by camps is as follows:

Camp Thomas, 352; Santiago, 147; San Francisco, 78; Camp Alger, 73; Camp Wikoff, 63; Jacksonville, 56; Tampa, 58; Miami, 76; Fernandina, Ladiesland, Camp Meade and other minor camps, hospitals, at home, etc., 115; state camps, 36; transports and hospital ships, 90; total, 1284.

Deaths are attributed to the following causes: Typhoid, 515; yellow fever, 84; dysentery, 63; malarial fever, 74; pneumonia, 61; causes reported as fever, 166; miscellaneous ailments or diagnosis not reported, 327.

Of the regular army 246 died from Massachusetts is second with 130, Illinois third with 100; Michigan fourth with 91, and New York fifth with 81.

Shipping News.

The Monte Cristo returned from Glenora Sunday.

The Tees touched here Sunday bound south.

The Al Kl, Dirigo and Tuluks Louise all north bound, stopped here on Monday.

The City of Seattle bound south, touched here Tuesday.

The Amar going north touched here Wednesday.

The Utopia touched here Wednesday south bound.

The Dirigo going south and the Hoon going north touched here on Friday.

The Topeka, with mail touched here this morning north bound.

The Mono arrived in port today from Glenora.

A Happy Surprise.

A very pleasant surprise party, was given Mrs. Weber at her home last evening by the members of the Wrangel Club. The evening passed very pleasantly with games and music, after which those present sat down to a bounteous luncheon, which was followed by some good old fashioned dancing. Every one expressed regret that Mrs. Weber is leaving us for good, and a token of the esteem in which she is held, the club presented her with a magnificent gold bracelet, handsomely engraved by an Indian goldsmith. Mrs. Weber has been a resident of Wrangel for some months and during that time has endeared herself to all with whom she has come in contact. There are none but what wish her long life and prosperity in Hoonah, where she is going to make her future home.

New Westminster Wiped Out of Existence.

New Westminster the Royal City of British Columbia is a mass of blackened ruins as the result of the most disastrous fire ever recorded in the annals of the province. The fire started last Sunday night at the Brackman & Ker wharf where hundreds of tons of hay were stored.

Assistance was asked for and Vancouver responded with two engines.

The burned district extends from Columbia and Second streets to Tenth street and back to Royal avenue, the heart of the city. The loss will run into millions.

Empress Elizabeth Assassinated.

All the civilized world was shocked this week by the news of the assassination of the Empress Elizabeth, wife of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria which occurred last Saturday at Geneva. The assassin is an Italian and an anarchist.

Mr. Batchelor of the firm of Batchelor & Bernard is spending a few days in Wrangel.

Me—I know how to manage my wife. She—Why don't you then? He—She's so obstinate she won't let me.—Tit Bits.

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The number of prospectors working along the coast between Lynn Canal and the extreme southern end of Alaska is estimated at 1600. These figures do not include those who are working on the Stikeen river or other rivers, prospecting for placer, they are simply a conservative estimate of the number of miners looking for quartz leads on or near the coast. The results are shown by the great number of locations recorded daily at the recorder's offices in Wrangel and Juneau. Hardly a day passes that some prospector does not come in here to record a batch of locations, running in number, from two or three up to a dozen. Due allowance must be made for the fact that a great many of these claims are not, properly speaking, pay claims, but the indisputable fact remains, that some of these claims are good property, and the near future will demonstrate their actual value. The great thing needed is capital to develop properties already located. It seldom happens that the locator is a person with sufficient money to properly develop his claim, and he must either sell his property or interest others in it. Already the eyes of capitalists are looking on Alaska for a field in which to invest their surplus, and those who remain for a few years will witness a wonderful change for the better. Wrangel is centrally located, with great natural advantages, and is bound to become the greatest city in Alaska. Our citizens must all do their share however, and work unitedly for the grand good of all. There must be no trusting to others for as Miles Standish says "if you want a thing done well, do it yourself."

The newspapers of Alaska, British Columbia, and Puget Sound, are devoting considerable space to the reported irregularities of Canadian officials in the Yukon district, and the truth of these reports are beyond question. Scarcely a returning Klondiker can be found but what is loud in his denunciation of the entire official force, and many instances could be enumerated where miners refusing to be "bled" have lost title to valuable property, after having undergone all the hardships incident to prospecting in the Yukon country. It is to be hoped that the sending, by the Canadian government, of such a man as Wm. Ogilvie to Dawson City, with full power to act, will result in the complete overthrow of the rotten corrupt ring heretofore in power, and the establishment of a government that will, not only deal justly in future, but as far as possible, remedy the evil already done.

We note with pleasure the fact that at least some of our business men have enough interest in the town to build new sidewalks along Front street. Well done gentlemen, keep up the good work.

The rainy weather this week is a forerunner of what we must expect for some time to come.

A Better Cuban Feeling.

Reports from Santiago indicate that the Cubans are coming to their senses and are disposed to aid rather than hinder the course of American readjustment. Garcia has been crowded out of the army, Bermudez, an ex-highwayman, whose acts have drawn vigorous American protests, was lately executed for capital crimes, and Gomez has ordered Generals Lacret, Castillo and Perez, to put themselves at the disposal of the United States military authorities. Meanwhile the pernicious activity of Cuban guerrilla bands has ceased in all the provinces. There was no other sensible course for the insurgents to take. They never could have made war without American help and if they were to break with us, they would soon starve to death unless surrounded and captured in the field. A mere unwillingness to join in the work of reconstruction would suffice to keep them out of a share in the future government of the island. But by taking a friendly course the insurgents are putting the United States under obligations to them, which are certain to be paid as soon as Cuba is freed from its Spanish incumbrances. When that will be is a point for the joint military commission to decide. So far no signs of hurry have been shown, as the United States government does not want to put garrisons in Havana and elsewhere until cooler weather comes. Probably the Commission will meet some time this month, and its deliberations, judging from the great variety of questions to be debated, are not unlikely to continue as long as did the sessions of the Maine court of inquiry or even for a longer period.

Hapless Andree.

The German Arctic expedition in search of Andree has returned without finding traces of that hapless adventurer. The princes of the powers of the air, whose realm he sought to invade, have probably done for him, like maglin demons that they are, and nothing may be ever heard of him again. His experience will not encourage the future balloonist to seek the pole by an aerial short cut, which as in other cases, sometimes proves to be the longest way around.—N. Y. Tribune.

FASHION'S FRILLS.

First Autumn Styles.

Our shoes don't match and sox are worn without many changes.

Parisian women are wearing shoes to match their gowns.

The toothpick pointed shoe has gone out of date.

Broad brimmed Sombreros with colored chiffon veils, generally plain, or with large dots. They will be seen in white or pale gray, with a silken cord knotted around the crown.

Colored bodices are still worn with black skirts, but not for ceremonious occasions. If the bodice is trimmed with black, the effect is better.

With a shirt of colored silk veiled with lace, or for a young girl a skirt of colored voile, various harmonious bodices may be used for demitoleet.

A pearl gray or mastic skirt prettily accompanies almost any light bodice, straw, pink or white.

Girls know how every young man tips his hat.

The fashion of fancy belts, sashes, and corselets, afford another means of varying the costume without great expense. A corselet of black satin with black satin sash ends edged with tiny ruches of black mousseline de sole, will go with any gown, light or dark.

Elaborate jeweled belts, or belts of bright red kid, serve as an adornment for cloth costumes which are otherwise plain.

Opals, as everybody knows, are supposed to bring ill-fortune, but agates, emeralds and pearls are beneficent in their influences.

The fashion of using a sheet of paper which must be folded in order to fit the envelope has now been abandoned for wedding announcements. The size of the paper is reduced so that the sheet may be slipped into the cover without being doubled.

The woman who works in her kitchen is not recognizable as the same individual when you meet her down town.

"What weapon did Samson use in slaying the Philistines?" asked the Sunday school superintendent during the general exercises.

"He—he didn't use none" sputtered a little red headed urchin on the back row of seats. "He didn't git inter der scrap till dey was all sunk."—Detroit Free Press.

She: "Surely, my dear, you will consider the matter carefully before consenting to Clara's marriage with old Mr. Cashman?"

He: Certainly. I shall have his books examined by an expert.—Tit Bits.

Outfit in Wrangel.

Plain Deals.

Aguin also speaks up sharply and says he wants to be a Yankee, and with the Yankees stand, no crown upon his forehead no scepter in his hand.

It may be interesting to remember that if our troops at Santiago fared badly the Spanish prisoners fared a great deal worse. Both facts constitute a shame and disgrace.

A scientist has discovered that inspecting eggs by candle light is sure to result in blindness. This certainly can't be the reason that when it comes to selecting eggs so many restaurant keepers go it blindly.

The biggest nugget so far found at the new Kenowna diggings, in western Australia, weighs ninety five pounds. It is doubtful, however, if even this is big enough or dazzling enough to draw any returned Klondikers to the latest El Dorado.

It was Chicago, of course, that jumped into the field with a "Roosevelt 1904 club." It might be well, however, for the club to pile up no debts until it sees what is left of Teddy after a two years' tussle with the New York governorship.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Dominion of Canada, British Columbia.
Rules for the Navigation of
Stikeen River.

The Department of Marine and Fisheries of Canada has made arrangements for a system of signalling at Little Canyon, on the Stikeen river, to prevent collisions therein. Immediately after the opening of navigation a station will be established at each end of the canyon, at which signals will be displayed for the guidance of vessels.

A white ball, or disc, hoisted to the top of a mast will denote that the channel is clear, and that a vessel may enter the canyon from the end at which the ball is displayed.

A black drum or square will denote that the channel is not clear, and a vessel must not enter the canyon on any consideration when the drum is displayed.

The drum and ball shown together will be a signal between the two stations for information of the signalmen, and no vessel may enter the canyon when this signal is shown.

In the event of vessels approaching the canyon from both ends simultaneously, the upward bound vessel will be held below the canyon until the descending vessel has run the canyon.

One prolonged blast of a steamer's whistle will be a request to the signalmen to show the all clear signal.

In any other part of the river within Canadian territory, if a vessel is warping up, a downward bound vessel must keep clear of her and her warping lines, stopping and tying up if necessary to prevent collision.

In the event of two vessels simultaneously approaching a place where warping is required, the upward bound vessel must allow the downward bound vessel to pass before running out her warping line. Two long blasts followed by two short blasts of a steamer's whistle will be a signal that she is actually engaged in warping.

These rules will be established by Order in Council under the provisions of Chapter 79, Revised Statutes of Canada, and amending orders, and will have the force of law. They are not intended to supersede, but are to be an addition to the ordinary rule of the road.

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The inspector was indian agent in Arizona in the early seventies, and in that capacity personally arrested Chief Geronimo. He was at one time mayor of Tombstone, A. T., and founder of the Tombstone Epitaph.

The trip just completed was commenced on the 9th of last March, entering Alaska he inspected Fort Wrangel, Juneau and Dyea, and hastened through to Dawson City and down the Yukon to St. Michaels. From there the route was to Unalaska, Kodiak and Sitka. During his travels he established postoffices as follows: At Haines, on the Lynn Canal, fifteen miles from Dyea; Pyramid, on Pyramid harbor; Canyon, at Canyon City and Sheep Camp, both on the trail over the pass. The first postoffice established by him on the Yukon was Eagle, at Eagle City, located at its confluence with Mission creek; the next was Star, at the mouth of Seventy mile creek; Yukon, at Fort Yukon; Rampart, at Rampart City; Tanana, at the mouth of the Tanana river; Anvik, at Anvik city; Sunrise, at the town of that name, at Turn Again arm of Cook's Inlet, and Valdez, at Port Valdez, at the head of navigation on Prince William's sound.

Eliminating the mosquitoes on the Yukon, and a bad snowstorm on the trail, he found the journey not unpleasant and speaks rapturously of the rose-covered banks of the White Horse Rapids, and the rapid transition from the snow of the pass to the summertime of the Yukon below the lakes.—San Francisco Chronicle.

The Future of the Klondyke.

The arrival of the Steamer Roanoke at Seattle, with between a million and a half and two millions of dollars in gold from the Klondyke, is pretty good proof that the stories of the collapse of the new mining camp are without foundation. That Dawson is suffering from overpopulation just now is true, but the coming season promises to see much good development work done, and many new claims opened. The men who hoped to sell claims to new arrivals, will now go to work, and the era of speculation will be followed by a period of honest work.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Secretary Alger's Position.

It cannot be said that Secretary Alger is indifferent to the many sensational stories that are printed as to the distress prevailing in the great military camps, for his first interest lies in the welfare of the individual troops. But he said today that with a full knowledge of the lack of foundation for most of these, he depreciated such publications, not because of fear that the American people would be mistaken in their understanding of the facts, but rather from an apprehension of the evil effects such publications would produce abroad. There the people, who with their full military training, knew just what hardships must be encountered by troops in a campaign, and especially in military camps and maneuvers, would regard with amused surprise, the innumerable complaints that are pouring forth upon the government here, upon pretenses that would be disregarded entirely in Europe, and they could scarcely fail to gain the impression that the American people are lacking in soldierly qualities.—San Francisco Chronicle.

An Eye to Business.

A clergyman, who has an eye to business is Rev. J. C. Brodhufer of Chicago, who has a season ticket on the whale-back Christopher Columbus, plying between Chicago and Milwaukee, and who is constantly on board seeking couples who may need his services in a matrimonial way. When the boat is well out in the lake, Rev. Brodhufer wanders among the passengers and hands his card to likely young couples, saying: "Perhaps you will need my services on the trip." He makes the rounds again when port is in sight and seldom fails to gather up three or four couples who he leads to the purser's cabin and unites in wedlock.

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It is claimed that Commodore Schley's flagship, the Brooklyn, poured \$41,970 worth of shells and other ammunition into the Vizcaya in forty-five minutes. One eight inch shell raked the Vizcaya fore and aft, and killed eighty Spaniards. The eight inch shells cost \$240, the six inch \$104, and the six pound shells \$5 each.

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GLEANINGS.

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During August the public debt was decreased \$34,789,711.

Boston is to have free ice water fountains in all parts of the city next summer.

The Dryfus case presents no new feature, but there is a plentiful supply of rumors at Paris.

The English Trades Union congress decided to send two delegates to the American Federation of Labor.

New York was chosen as headquarters for the next five years of the Bohemian National Turner Society.

"Speaking of getting a tooth pulled," said the cornfed philosopher, "that is one instance where a man is bound to stay and see the thing out."—Ex.

Until recently sergeant was held to be from the Persian sarjank, a subordinate military officer, thus being the only one of our military titles not traceable to a Latin source.

Colonel is from the medieval Latin coronella, a diminutive of columna, a column. A colonel was an officer who marched at the head of a column.

Lieutenant is French for place holder. He serves in place of another, taking the place of his superior when occasion demands.

A major was once a captain major, or superior captain, just as now the highest non-commissioned officer is a sergeant major. The captain was long ago dropped from the compound title, and the major alone retained.

A general was one whose command was over the army in general. From general officer the title came to be simple general.

To furnish shoes for our army would require the skins of 34,625 calves, not counting the soles or heels.

An ordinary canteen holds two quarts. With the 277,000 canteens filled the army would carry 3,644 hogheads.

The fixed bayonet was not used in the charges either at San Juan or El Caney. It is claimed that it should be made smaller and sharper.

Two thousand two hundred acres of cedar are cut down every year on the Continent in order to make wood cases for lead pencils. There are twenty six pencil works at Bavaria, of which twenty three are in Nuremberg, the great center of the lead pencil trade. These factories employ from 8,000 to 10,000 workers, and produce 4,300,000 lead and colored chalk pencils every week.

A little London girl visiting friends in the country was sent to a neighbor's for milk. The neighbor's cow had ceased to give milk for the time and there was none to be had. "There is no milk today," said the little girl on her return. "No milk," said the aunt, "what is the matter?" "She didn't tell me what was the matter," was the reply, "but I s'pose the cow 'aint laying just now."

A little boy named Peter at a public school saw his teacher faint and fall. In the general confusion it was impossible to keep so many curious heads cool, and the little ones flocked round the prostrate woman and her sympathizing colleagues. But this small boy kept both his color and his coolness, standing on a bench and raising his hand he exclaimed: "Please teacher, can I run home and tell father to come? He makes coffins."

The Merchant did not Advertise.

One of the bachelors recently bought a pair of socks. There was nothing strange about this, but what makes the occasion worthy of note was the fact that he found in the toe of one of them a slip of paper on which was written: "I am a young lady of twenty and would like to correspond with a bachelor with a view to matrimony", and signed with the address of the young lady. After due deliberation our friend decided to write the young lady. In the course of time he received an answer to his letter. "I was married five years ago last Christmas." The merchant who sold the socks did not advertise.

NOTICE

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LOCAL NEWS.

Now doth the gentle summer rain
From out the skies down pour,
To make us fret, nearly insane,
And crankier than before.

Remember that 322 Front street is the Hunt Grocery Co.

The committee in charge of the 4th of July celebration held a meeting this week and decided to devote the small balance in the treasury towards repairing the sidewalks on Front street. The funds were not sufficient, but private donations of money and labor were made with the result that there is now a fine sidewalk between Case & Wilson and M. N. Hirsh.

The Woodbine still holds a leading position in the race for popularity as a gentleman's resort. It is quiet and comfortable, and its genial proprietor makes your leisure time pass in an enjoyable manner.

Harry Day has rented the Grotto in the rear of his present location, and expects to open it up next Monday.

The popular Exchange at The Hunt Grocery Co.

The Victoria hotel under the management of Pete Jansen, will be thoroughly renovated and improved, bath tubs have been put in, and other improvements are contemplated. It is said that a beer hall is to be one of the features of Pete's hotel.

Wm. Taylor, chief of the Baranoff, returned last night from a few days hunt on Farm island. His bag was a heavy one, consisting of six geese and fourteen ducks.

A wild eyed citizen was observed this morning hustling around for a boat and some one to accompany him over to the river. Thinking a big strike had been made, and scenting a sensation we sought further information to learn that all the excitement was due to his having left his pocket-book, containing hundreds of dollars, more or less, on the bank of the river. We leave our readers to guess to whom this refers. Fred you shouldn't be so careless.

Persons wanting fine cakes made to order can get them at Weigel's bakery.

Choice spices and table sauces at The Hunt Grocery Co.

The Canadian and Columbian.

The Canadian Development Company's steamers Canadian and Columbian, which left Wrangel in July, have both reached Dawson City with large cargoes of freight and passengers. The Columbian and Anglian have both made several successful trips between White Horse and Dawson since then.

The Canadian is supposed to be plying on the Hootalinqua making connections with the Company's pack trains on the Lake Teslin trail, which is busy with the large amount of freight which is being taken up by the river steamers.

The Ladies' Aid Society.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. last Thursday afternoon, the weather being stormy, the attendance was light, and but little other than routine work was done.

The next meeting will be held next Thursday afternoon at the home of the secretary, Mrs. Roundtree. All are cordially invited to attend.

Continuous Advertising

It costs the Royal Baking Powder Co., something like \$500,000 annually for advertising. Some one once suggested to the company that it discontinue advertising one year, the baking powder was so well known and advertised, and place that amount \$500,000 in the profits. The answer was that it would undoubtedly cost the company three times that amount to get the product in its original shape again. This is a pretty good pointer to those business men who imagine they are making a great saving when they discontinue a \$4 or \$6 a month advertisement a few months in dull seasons. It never pays to tear out a dam because the water is low.

To Whom It May Concern.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Gypsy Queen Gold Mining Company, of West Virginia, was held in Chicago, September 6th, 1898. The following officers and directors were elected for the ensuing year:

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J. D. Walton, of Co. H, 14th Infantry, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal by Captain Eldridge. Congratulations are due not alone to Mr. Walton for his promotion, but to the Captain who has shown good judgment in making the appointment.

Fresh Bread at Weigel's Bakery.

Sergeant major F. P. Collins and Corporal J. Crean, left on the Strathcona last Monday for a hunt along the river. The will return in a few days.

Wm. Bullock, R. C. Diehl and J. J. Wilson returned from their prospecting trip this week bringing some fine specimens of quartz.

The Wrangel Club.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Wrangel Club gave their first entertainment at the opera house last Tuesday evening. The weather turned out bad, but in spite of that fact there was a good attendance, and all present expressed themselves as well pleased with the evenings enjoyment.

It is not possible to make special mention of any particular part of the program, as all of the participants did exceedingly well, and the entertainment, which was without doubt, the finest ever given in Alaska, would be considered as of a high order in any of the large cities below. Considerable pressure has been brought to induce the ladies to repeat the same program in the near future, but they have decided not to do so at this time.

It is a pleasure to note the enthusiasm with which every one entered into the work incident to the entertainment, and the willingness shown by our merchants to loan from their stocks, such things as were possible for use on the stage.

The program was followed by informal dancing to which all were invited, and this feature was not less enjoyable than the entertainment itself.

The following is the program:

- 1 Piano solo.....Miss Lulu Keefe
- 2 Tableau, Family Flour,.....Mr. Raymond.
- 3 Recitation.....Mr. Hunt
- 4 Living Pictures, Cuba in Bondage, and Cuba Libre, Spain, Mr. Crean; Cubans, Mr. Raymond, Mrs. McKeand, Edith and Roy Hamilton.
- 5 Uncle Sam, Mr. McKeand; Clara Barton, Mrs. Lindsey; soldiers.
- 6 Tableau, Pickaninnies,.....Edith and Roy Hamilton
- 7 Baby Specialty.....Mrs. Weber
- 8 Living Picture, Scene from Cleopatra.

Cleopatra, Mrs. Bernard; Slaves, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Carlyon, Mrs. McKeand, Miss Manderson, Miss Nelson; Page, Miss Sylvester; Nubian, Mr. Raymond

- 8 Recitation.....Miss Hunt
- 9 Living Picture, Hen Pecked Husband. Mr. Hunter and Mrs. McKeand.
- 10 Sailors Hornpipe.....Mrs. Weber
- 11 Living Picture, Columbia, Mrs. Bernard; Mrs. Weber, Boys in Blue. Song.....Mrs. Weber

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